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Van Nuys Neighborhood Council Executive Committee Meeting AGENDA

Tuesday, September 3, 2024 6:30 PM

Van Nuys Branch Library Community Room 6250 Sylmar Van Nuys, CA 91401

On the Civic Center Plaza



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Members of the Executive Committee: M. Bolla, D. Harari, M. Nkuku, K. Schreiner

- 1. Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance
- **2.** Discussion and possible action regarding potential Items for the Agenda of the GBM (General Board Meeting) on September 11 see separate list of items starting on page 4.
- **3.** Follow-up regarding obtaining certificates to honor the work of Neighborhood Council Board members. Will reach out to CD 6 to prepare certificates. Will try to schedule Councilperson Padilla to present certificates at October 9th GBM.
- **4.** Status of Board vacancies. Discussion and possible action regarding strategies to recruit additional Board members.
- 5. Logistics for September 11 General Board meeting
 - a. Food
 - b. Room setup.
- **6.** Potential committee meeting schedule for the next month.
- 7. General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items (2 min per stakeholder) (Note that topics discussed must be within the jurisdiction of the VNNC.)
- **8.** Identification of topics Board Officers would like to discuss at a future meeting.
- 9. Adjournment,

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Items to be Considered for the Agenda of the VNNC September 11, 2024 GBM (General Board Meeting)

- 1. Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance
- 2. Government Official Reports (Will pause after LAPD report for comments and questions. Will pause after LAFD report for comments and questions. Then will only ask for Board and public comments on remaining items after all reports have been provided.)
- **3.** Presentation by Planning Department staff regarding Draft SE Community Plan (30-35 minutes, including Q&A)
- **4.** Board Officer Reports
- **5.** General Public Comment on non-agenda items
- **6.** Consent Agenda: Review/approve minutes from June 12th GBM and August 14th Information meeting.
- 7. Vote to remove Samuel Apikyan for not taking the required training and not attending meetings since August.
- **8.** Action Items from the Budget and Finance Committee
 - a. Discussion and possible action to approve the July MER
 - b. Discussion and possible action to approve updated application for a Neighborhood Purpose Grant of \$4000 for Van Nuys Community Elementary School to update two murals on the school's campus.
 - c. Discussion and possible action to approve a revised 2024/2025 Budget that includes rollover funds and additional adjustments
 - d. Vote to re-approve contribution of \$1000 to Budget Day and \$1000 to Congress of Neighborhoods from FY 2024-25 budget.
- **9. ?? Should we drop these items??** Action items from the Public Safety, Human Services, and Animal Welfare Committee (met on April 22nd)
 - a. Recommend that the VNNC submit a Community Impact Statement (CIS) in favor of Council File 24-0036 regarding the introduction of solar powered street lighting where feasible, and the current pilot program in Van Nuys with an installation of 100 solar streetlights, in order to reduce copper wire theft and street light vandalism.
 - b. Recommend that the VNNC submit a CIS in favor of Council File 23-1008 regarding the moratorium on dog breeding permits until shelter capacity becomes more manageable. This was passed by the City Council on April 15th, though a CIS from the VNNC is still valid.
- **10.** Action items from the Outreach Committee

- a. **Do we need separate approval since budget item already covers nametags???**Discussion and possible action to allocate up to \$200 for purchase of name badges on a lanyard with City seal for Board Members to wear to Outreach events (to be purchased from Anderson Trophy Company @\$15.95 plus tax).
- b. Discussion and possible action to allocate up to \$300 to provide water and snacks for Opening Day at Van Nuys Recreation Center and up to \$300 to provide giveaway items for Halloween Celebration at Delano Recreation Center. (Since Outreach Committee has not met, Executive Committee can vote to add these items to agenda due to close timing.)

11. Action items from the PLUM Committee

- a. Discussion and possible action for the VNNC to submit a CIS (Community Impact Statement) in support of CF 24-0602, which provides directions to City staff of various agencies to conduct studies and make recommendations regarding potential steps the City could take to transition away from use of synthetic turf or artificial grass, transition towards California drought-friendly landscaping, and related matters.
- b. Discussion and possible action to extend a welcome to Van Nuys to GALS Middle School, which took occupancy in June 2024 of its new campus on 14200 Runnymede, and to invite the principal to attend the October 9th GBM and share information about the school.
- **12.** Discussion items related to John Hendry.
 - a. John Hendry discussion of his status on the VNNC Board.
 - b. Discussion and possible action on John Hendry's "20 Legacy Items for the VNNC"
- **13.** Discussion and possible action to elect a new Secretary for the VNNC.
- **14.** Discussion and possible action to elect a new Chair for the Public Safety, Human Services, and Animal Welfare Committee.
- **15.** Updates on unresolved topics
 - a. ?? Will Studio City NC share document they received from City Attorney????

 DONE cited Attorney-Client Privilege and declined to share a communication related to Studio City NC and resignation of a registered sex offender from the NC. Email from Gibson Nyambura: "Please be advised that the advice provided to the Studio City Neighborhood Council is privileged as an attorney client communication. As such, we are not the holders of this information and are unable to provide any details or disclosures related to the matter."
 - b. Need to delay vote on SB 411 meeting option until can get 14 Board Members available to attend a meeting.
- **16.** Identification of topics that Board members would like to be discussed at a future meeting.
- **17.** Adjournment.